The Bulgarian Army is composed of an armored unit command and three brigades, which can easily be transformed into three armored divisions. The armored units are organized in the following manner:

## 1. Armored Unit Command

Commander: Major-General Trendafilov Assistant Commander: Colonel Surdolov Chief of Staff . . .

The brigades are the following:

- l Armored Brigade Sofia
- 2 Armored Brigade Ploydiv
- 3 Armored Brigade Kazanlik

## 2. 1 Armored Brigade - Sofia

Commander: General Trendafilov Assistant Commander: Colonel Surdolov Chief of Staff . . .

The Brigade consists of the following:

- 1 Tank Regiment
- 1 Motorized Regiment
- 1 Motorized Artillery Regiment
- l Anti-tank Artillery Group l Reconnaissance Battalion (attack)
- 1 Armored Detachment (attack)
- 1 Motorized Reconnaissance Battalion

One company ambulance cars

One communications section



1 Tank Regiment - Sofia: The regiment consists of three battalions and three tank companies

1 Tank Battalion

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Commander . . .

Assistant Commander . . .

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1 Company
Commander
12 tanks, type "Maibach of 26 tons, armed with a 75 mm. cannon and a M.G. 34 machine gun.
50 men 2 <b>radio tel</b> egraphe <b>rs</b>
2 Company
Commander
12 tanks, type "Maibach" of 26 tons, armed as above.
50 men 2 radio telegraphers
3 Company
Commander 12 tanks, type "Maibach" of 26 tons, armed as above
50 men 2 radio telegraphers
2 Battalion
Commander
1 Company
Commander
12 tanks, type "Maibach" of 26 tons, armed as above
50 men 2 radio telegraphers
2 Company
Commander
12 tanks, type "Maibach" of 26 tons, armed as above
50 men 2 radio telegraphe <b>rs</b>
3 Company
Commander
10 tanks, type "T-34" (Soviet) of 40 tons, armed with a 100 mm. cannon and machine gun.
70 men

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#### 4. 1 Motorized Regiment

Commander: Colonel Bossilkov Assistant Commander . . .

The regiment is composed of three battalions each of three companies.

#### 1 Battalion

Commander. . . . Assistant Commander . . .

## 1 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

# 2 Company

Commander .m. .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

# 3 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

#### 2 Battalion

Commander . . .

Assistant Commander . . .

# 1 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

## 2 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

#### 3 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

# 3 Battalion

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## 1 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

## 2 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

# 3 Company

Commander . . .

100 men, armed similar to infantry 9 trucks

## Company of heavy machine guns

Commander . . .

3 platoons with 120 men 12 heavy machine guns "M.G. 34"

The trucks are of the Renault, Opel, Ford and Benz makes and are quite worn out.

The regiment has at its disposal a radio transmitter-receiver, type "Lorenz".

# 5. 1 Motorized Artillery Regiment

Commander: Lieutenant Colonel Ivanov Assistant Commander: . . .

The regiment is composed of three groups each of three batteries

# 1 Group of Heavy Artillery

Commander . . . . Assistant Commander . . . .

# 1 Battery

Commander . . .

4 heavy cannons

# 2 Battery

Commander . . .

4 heavy cannons

# 3 Battery

Commander .



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# 2 Group of Heavy Artillery

Commander . . . . Assistant Commander . . .

## 1 Battery

Commander . . .

4 heavy cannons 48 men

# 2 Battery

Commander . . .

4 heavy cannons

## 3 Battery

Commander . . .

4 heavy cannons

# 3 Heavy Artillery Group

Commander . . . . Assistant Commander . . .

# 1 Battery

Commander . . .

4 small cannons

#### 2 Battery

Commander . . .

4 small cannons

## 3 Battery

Commander . . .

40 men

Each cannon has its own tractor type "MAN-Bussing" mover
The regiment has in its possession a "lorenz" type radio set.

# 6. l Anti-Tank Artillery Group

Commander . . . . Assistant Commander . .



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The group is composed of three batteries and one heavy machine gun platoon.

# 1 Battery of heavy anti-tank guns

Commander . . .

4 cannons 75 mm.

# 2 Battery of heavy anti-tank guns

Commander . . .

4 cannons 75 mm.

# 3 Battery of light anti-tank guns

Commander . . .

4 cannons 50 mm.

Each gun has its own caterpillar tractor, type Ford

# 1 Heavy machine gun platoon

4 machine guns "M.G. 34"

# 7. L Reconnaissance Battalion (Attack)

Commander . . . . Assistant Commander . . .

# 1 Attack Company

Commander . . . . 100 men

# 2 Reconnaissance Company

Commander . . . . 120 men

# 3 Anti-Mine Company

Commander . . . . 80 men

# 8. 1 Armored Detachment (Attack)

Commander . . .

12 tanks 30 tons, armed with a 75 mm. tank and a heavy machine gun "M.G.34".

# 9. I Motorized Reconnaissance Battalion

Commander . . .

The battalion is composed of three companies

# 1 Company of Armored Cars

Commander . . .



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12 armored cars (five tons each)
Each car has: 1 gun of 20 mm.
1 machine gun, type "M.G.34"

# 2 Company of Motorized Cars

Commander . . .

12 armored cars (five tons each)
Each car has: 1 gun of 20 mm
1 machine gun, model "M.G. 34" or "Bren"

# 3 Company of Motorcyclists

Commander . . .

12 motorcycles with side-cars, type BNW armed with a machine gun, model "M.G. 34"
6 motorcycles - plain, model D.K.W.

10. One Company Ambulance Cars

11. One Communications Section

Commander . . . 1 radio set, type "Lorenz" power for 120 kilometers

12. The 2 and 3 Brigades are organized in the same manner as 1 Brigade.

